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## In re Application of:

Whitman et al.

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## **AMENDMENT**

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## Examiner:

This Amendment follows the Office Action of February 6, 2007, the shortened statutory period for response to which expires on May 6, 2007. Since May 6, 2007, fell on a Sunday, this Response, which is being submitted on Monday, May 7, 2007, should be deemed to have been filed within three months of the mailing date of the Office Action. 37 C.F.R. § 1.7.

A listing of the claims, in which revisions to the claims are presented, begins on page 2 of this paper; and

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